## **CODE ENFORCEMENT POLICY #7-1**

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TO: All Inspection Staff

FROM: Steve Zaccard, Fire Marshal

SUBJECT: UNDERGROUND TANKS - ABANDONMENT IN PLACE

CODE REFERENCE: MUFC 79.115

"THIS POLICY IS TO SERVE AS A GUIDE FOR YOUR ENFORCEMENT. EXCEPTIONS TO THIS POLICY SHALL BE APPROVED BY THE FIRE MARSHAL THROUGH YOUR SUPERVISOR."

The Fire Code requires removal of all underground tanks which have been out-of-service for a period of one year. Underground tanks may be abandoned in place only with the written approval of the Fire Marshal.

Requests for Underground Tank Abandonment in Place shall be in writing and shall outline the reasons that the tank(s) cannot be safely excavated and removed. The request shall include the size of the tank in gallons, the former product stored, and the location of the tank on the site. When possible, the written request should be accompanied by a site plan showing location of the tanks and adjacent structures as well as other support data, such as engineering studies. Upon receipt, requests for Underground Tank Abandonment in Place shall be forwarded to the Commercial Supervisor.

For additional information on Underground Tanks, refer to Handout USGT-1 and MUFC Article 79.

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